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This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial Number 09/793,431 filed on February 26, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial Number 09/488,732 filed on January 25, 1999 of inventors:

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Title: "MEDICAL TREATMENT INSTRUMENT"

ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION:

Olympus Optical Co., Ltd.  
43-2, Hatagaya 2-chome, Shibuya-ku,  
Tokyo, JAPAN

- 1a. ☒ Enclosed is the specification, claims and drawings of the continuation or divisional application with a copy of the Oath or Declaration in the prior application.
- 1b. ☐ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including a copy of the Oath or Declaration.
- 1c. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 1d. ☐ Paper entitled Deletion of Inventor(s) Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2).
2. ☒ FEE: The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed, less any claims cancelled by amendment herewith:

	Number Filed		Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	69	-20	= 49	x \$18.00	= \$ 882.00
Independent Claims	12	-3	= 9	x \$84.00	= \$ 756.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				+ \$280.00	= \$
				BASIC FEE	\$ 750.00
				Total of above Calculations	\$ 2,388.00

3. ☒ To the extent not tendered by check, authorization is given to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 during pendency of the application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1378. Duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.
4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 2,388.00 is enclosed.
5. ☐ Cancel claims

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6. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a ☐ continuation, ☐ division of application Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.
7. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed. \_\_\_\_\_ Sheets, Figs. \_\_\_\_
8. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd., 43-2, Hatagaya 2-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN
9. ☐ Small Entity Status was claimed in said application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
Small entity status is still proper and desired.
10. ☐ Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1a or 1b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

11. ☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application includes the following:

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12a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.

12b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

13. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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14. ☒ Priority claim (35 USC 119) is made based upon

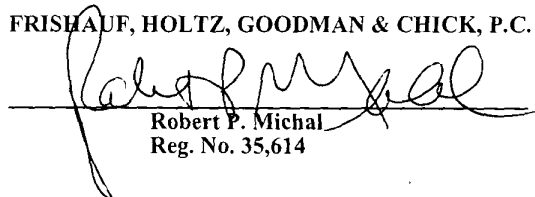
Japan	No. 11-015661	January 25, 1999 (to be transferred to this CIP from parent application Serial No. 09/488,732)
Japan	No. 2000-327148	October 26, 2000
Japan	No. 2000-164905	June 1, 2000

Certified copy(ies) filed on April 16, 2001  
in said application Serial No. 09/793,431

15. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement ☒ PTO/SB/08A&B

16. ☒ Petition For Extension of Time For USSN 09/793,431

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